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SUBJECT: EXTRADITION CASE OF GREGG RENE WALTER

REF: STATE 312918

¶1. Country clearance is granted for Deputy U.S.
Marshals, Randy M. Johnson and Richard B. Cobb.

¶2. Two double rooms for single use have been reserved
for U.S. Randy M. Johnson and Richard B. Cobb, at Hotel
Melia Los Galgos, Claudio Coello 139, 28006 Madrid,
tel.: 91 5626600, from October 18 to October 21, 2004.
The rate per room and night _165.85/\$203.20 (VAT
included) and breakfast buffet is _18.20/\$22.20 (VAT
included)

¶3. Due to staffing problems, Spanish Interpol is not
able to meet USM at the airport. Official Madrid taxis
are very numerous at the airport and the cost from
airport to hotel should be between _15 and _20. Upon
arrival, on October 18, 2004, U.S. Marshals are
requested to contact Kim Wise at Embassy Madrid, 91-587-
2242, to discuss surrender arrangements.

¶4. Please be advised that Spanish visas are required
for holders of official/diplomatic passports coming to
Spain on official business.

¶5. In general, Spain is safe. However, Madrid,
Barcelona and other large cities in Spain - including
resort/convention areas such as Benidorm - attract a
large number of criminals and pickpockets and frequent
incidents of crime of opportunity against the unwary do
occur. Carry only essential items including a photo-
copy of your passport's photo page. Visitors can
protect themselves against crime by being street-smart,
alert and aware of their surroundings. In the event
you are victimized by crime, or experience any security-
related incident, please contact the Embassy's Regional
Security Office at 91-587-2550 or after ours at 91-587-
¶12355. Official visitors to the Embassy in Madrid or the
Consulate General in Barcelona are encouraged to
receive a security briefing from the RSO office at
their earliest convenience. Additional information
regarding safety and security in Spain is available on
the U.S. Department of State's website
(<http://www.state.gov>) and the U.S. Embassy's website
(www.embusa.es).

¶6. Travelers are encouraged to review the most recent
Worldwide Caution issued by the Department of State.
As the Department of State continues to develop
information on any potential security threats to
Americans overseas, it shares credible threat
information through its Consular Information Program
documents, available on the Internet at
<http://travel.state.gov>. In addition to information on
the Internet, U.S. travelers can hear recorded
information by calling the Department of State in
Washington, D.C. at 202-647-5225 from their touch-tone
telephone, or receive information by automated telefax
by dialing 202-647-3000 from their fax machine.
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